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**15 December 1953**

**MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Contracting Officer**

**SUBJECT**

**:**

[REDACTED]

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**REFERENCE**

**: Your memorandum dated December 15, 1953,  
same subject**

1. The reference requests a legal opinion as to whether you have authority under the subject regulation to authorize a civilian clothing allowance for military officers assigned to this Agency and serving in a departmental capacity.

2. We concur in your opinion that the subject regulation provides no authority for you to grant a civilian clothing allowance to such detailed military personnel. We construe sub-paragraph (b) of Section 3, [REDACTED], to preclude by strong negative implication the authorization of a civilian clothing allowance to military details serving in a departmental capacity. In the absence of necessary positive authority, we would hold that you may not legally grant a civilian clothing allowance to such detailed military personnel.

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**Office of General Counsel**